

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Stephen C. O'Neal
Serial No. Not Yet Assigned
Filed June 5, 2001
For APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CHANNEL-TRANSPARENT MULTIMEDIA
BROADCAST MESSAGING

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A
AND
REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits of the above-referenced continuation application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

On page 2, before line 5, please insert the following new section:

--Cross-Reference to Related Application

This is a continuation of Application No. 09/240,436 filed January 29, 1999, now abandoned.--.

In the Claims

Cancel claims 21-41 without prejudice.

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Applicant hereby requests a telephone interview with the Examiner prior to the first examination on the merits of the subject continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

A new paragraph has been added on page 2 of the application before the "Background of the Invention" section.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 21-41 have been canceled.